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WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY! MORNING, JULY 11, 1878.

FIFTY CENTS PER MONTH.

Under existing laws the Treasury is not authorized to redoem and retire or redeem or reissue the legal-tender notes, except to exchange them for silver. A sufficient quantity of coin, known as the redemption fund, will therefore be held in reserve, to be used for that purpose whenever such redemption is authorized, and only the surplus used as above indicated. This surplus is believed to be ample to keep legal-tenders at par with coin, and it will doubtless be increased by drawing out the coin now hearled and hid away.

PECBETARY SHERMAN AT THE SUB-TREASURY. SECRETARY SHERMAN AT THE SUB-TREASURY.
NEW YORK, July 10.—Secretary Sherman, who arrived here pestorially afternoon, accompanied by the Hon. A. J. Babcock, of Washington, spent several hours at the Sub-Treasury to-day. It is 'rumored that his visit is to examine into some charge of rembaness preferred against some of the Sub-Treasury officials. This rumor, however, is emphatically denied by the officials. Beyond the fact that the Secretary was in private consultation with a number of the leads of the Sub-Treasury Department here, nothing could be learned. No person was permitted to see Socretary Sherman.

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Ex-Paymaster-General Watmough's Case.

Ex-Paymaster General Watmough has written a long letter to Chairman Whitthorne, of the House Naval Committee, in the nature of a rejoinder to Pay-Director Looker's reply to his letter of June 18, in which he criticises. his letter of June 18, in which he criticises the action of Mr. Looker quite severely and charges that facts have it some cases been ignored, in others distorted, and that, not contented with the discharge of what he characterizes as an unpleasant duty, Mr. Looker has extended his field of inquiry and accepts exparte testimony, taken by the Navai Committee, and predicated his statement on more unwritten statements occuring in the course of conversation between Government officials and his fine of the course of conversation between Government officials and his highly refers. He asks, in view of the latement of Mr. Looker and others, unade before the committee, which he did not then think worthy of reference in, that he may be heard by the committee as soon after the reasonabling of Congress as practicable.

Minister 7. Detehman Again.
The case of the civil-service reformer, Ernest Detehman, whose commission as Minister to the United States of Colombia hangs fire in the White House, gains additional interest by the fact that early last winter he submitted, by request of President Hayes, a draft of a message on civil-service roform, which Mr. Hayes is said to have pronounced a very able paper. For reasons best known to the President, no such message, although promised by him in his first annual message, was ever sent to Congress. Mr. Deichman, it should be understood, takes no stock whatever in Carl Schurz, whom he considers a visionary reformer of anti-American ideas. The appointment of Mr. Deichman was solicited by the Hon. Alex, H. Stephens, of Georgia, and A. S. Howitt, of New York, in whose company he was seen slucost daily during the last session of Congress, although Mr. Hewitt now deales that he over "recommended" him. the fact that early last winter he submitted,

The Baltimore Custom-House, barges against Collector Thomas, of Balti-e, were proferred to the President yester-by C. I. Ditty and J. F. Bump, of that cay by C. 1. Dilly and S. r. Dump, or that city. The charges are substantially that Col-lector Thomas does not faithfully follow the new civil-savvice creed, but actively partici-pates in politics, and that he appoints his friends to office. The charges were sout by the President to the Treasury Department.

CURRENT CAPITAL TOPICS.

Secretary Sherman and Treasurer
Giffilian's Mission.

A Long Consultation with the Sub-Treasurer
at New York-When Will We See the
Gold's Minister Deichman's Work on
Civil-Service Reform-A Practical
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General Watmough — The
Charges Against the Baltinore Collector.

Approaching Specie Resumption.
Mr. Giffilian, the Treasurer of the United
States, joined Secretary Sherman in New York
yesterday. It is generally believed the conformation of the foods and the darktimore there is in reference to resumption of
specie payments, as far as can be done under
existing law. From the freely-expressed
views of these gentlemen there is good reason
to believe that the payment of the obligations
of the Government, in which greenbacks have
heretofore been used in liquidation, will by
the close of this month be met with coin or
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division, Fifth Corps. As bearing upon the
specification against Porter, charging him
with willful delay on the night of the 27th, or
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Only a Secret Session Yesterday.

The Potter investigating committee met yesterday, but transacted no public business, owing to the absence of General Butler. A short occutive session was held, lasting about half an hour, and when the doors were opened a messenger stated that General Butler would arrive in town this morning, at its ofclock Mr. Springer thereupon suggested a racess until to-day, at half-past ten a m. which was agreed to. It was stated that Governor Kellogy was willing to give his testimony, but, as it appeared that he was General Butler's witness, the postponement until to-day was granted through courtesy to the latter.

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The Louisiana Sub-Committee.

linson, chief clerk of the collector of customs, testified as to persons employed in the customs house, it being shown there were some onlissions from the list of employees made out by him, and submitted yesterday by Collector Smyth. At the suggestion of Mr. Cox. Colonel Tomlinson was requested to perfect the papers so it would show all the employees since Collector King's appointment, with the dates of their dismissal, reappointment, &c.

William Williams, colored, was examined relative to an affidavit made by him and submitted to the committee in Washington, and as to a conversation between Dix. Flak, and Hobbs that Weber did not sign

THE INDIAN CAMPAIGN.

General Howard Overtakes and Gives the Indians Battle.

Description of the Country-Discover of the Enemy—Fire Opened and the In-dians Retire—A Stand and Retreat— Two Hundred Worthless Horses Abandoned-Five Eulisted Men Wounded-The Indians' Side of the Story-But Few Off the Reservation.

General Howard's Report of the Battle. General McDowell yesterday forwarded to he General of the Army the following dispatch,

dring. Ho, on, testified that there was no set the General McLowell presented for having the following dispatch: the filting as the retreat of the Fifth Corps. He was cross-examined but slightly. T. Sullivan, of Oregon, N. V. was colored to the first of the filth of the buttle was borne by the Fifth Corps. He was cross-examined but slightly. T. Sullivan, of Oregon, N. V. was colored to the first of the fi

POLITICAL MATTERS.

Missouri Democratic Convention. St. Louis, July 10.—The Democratic State Convention met at Jefferson City at cloven a m. General John A. Hockaday was chosen m. General John A. Hockaday was chosen tomporary charman, and in a brief address indured the policy of paying the national bonds in grounbacks, and giving the country less bonds and more greenbacks. The usual committees were appointed, and the convention took a recess until two o'clock.

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The convention reassembled at two p. m.
James A. Broadhead, of St. Lou's, was elected
permanent president, with a vice-president
from each Congressional district, and A. A.
Lossur, secretary, with five assistants. The

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THALIA AND NEPTUNE.

Votaries of the Comic Muse Afloat and Ashore.

the River-Salt Water and Sea-Sickness— The Boat Race on the Elizabeth—Dramatic Exhibition at the Norfolk Opera-House—The Return Trip

—A Collision at Sea—How a Sleepy Reporter Took in the Situation, &c., &c.

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No finer or more enjoyable excursion, and certainly none which offered so many different attractions has left our city this season than the select excursion given by the Thalian Club, abourd the commoditous steamer Jane Mossely, which left her wharf about half-past with wielack, on Monday evening. The Mosely, which left her wharf about half-past eight o'clock, on Monday evening. The Mosely put out lades with a choice party of excursionists, numbering about 250, which included a large proportion of ladies. At first the party seemed to be more sad than glad to leave the hot limits of the city, but soon forgotting all about that which was left behind, in a great scramble to procure desirable seats, and last but not least to procure desirable seats, and last but not least to procure desirable seats, and last but not least to procure introductions to this one and that one whichever seemed to have the heartlest laugh and the most pleasing address. It took but a little while, with the untring endeavors of the members, both ladies and gentlemen, of the Thalian Club to put every one on joking terms, and seen the night air rang with laughter and music.

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With the morning came an increase of seasickness and an immense increase in sucking lemons. Men, women, and children all alike were thus actively engaged when the steamer arrived in sight of Fortress Monros, which somewhat ingreased their usually bigh spirits. But few persons went down to breakfast, but among that few was a young lody who imagined that she could stand it. She created considerable merriment when in a fow minutes she reappeared upon the deck, tolking ghastly nale, with a horrible glare in her eyes, and with her hands classed desperately over the affected region. She remmised that she had only eaten two hits of clincken, and had a mouthful of coffse, when she was forced to run from the hurrible stuff.

It was about half-past ten o'clock when the steamer arrived

AT PORTHESS MONFOE.

The excursionists immediately vacated their quarters about the shearing and the steamer and cepaired, some to the specious dauching payllion, and some to the numerous batthing-houses, and were soon deep in the enjoyment of these favorite sports. The party quartered here for about an hour and a half, when they again boarded the steamer, which proceeded to Norfolk, reaching that city about two p. m. At Fortress Monroc. the judges for the Anabustans, Major Balley and Mr. L. H. Stevens, the racing committee of the Thailan Club, Mears, I. Kimball, Jr., and A. B. Briggs, and the different representatives of the press, were met by Messes, E. Mahomey, president of the Elikebeth Boat-Club; P. H. Lavitin, secretary; John O'Connor, Jr., corresponding secretary, representatives James Muholland, John Calinfan, P. O'Connor, Colonel James D. Brady, J. W. H. Pertre, editor Pertunouth V.A. Este price R. E. Glassette, representative Anders and paid their resident Anders and maid their resident of the Elikebeth board the United States steamer Taliapsess and paid their resident Anders faw minutes delay to give directions the vominutes delay to give directions the c

were waiting for the water to become some what smooth.

A few minutes prior to seven o'clock, everything being ready, the Elizabeth crew, a stal-wart set of very fine oarsmen, pulled out to the starting point moil immunes appears, o copying their shell, Virginia, the same that they pulled mad the regards at Philadelphia in 1876, coming in next to the famous Columbia crow. They were seen followed by the Analostans. Soon the starting signal was given, and the Analostans shout already pulling a mag mifecunt stroke. A quarter of a mile may scarcely beaut traversed before the Elizabeths had caught up with their openumts and were passing them, when the two beats found. They got off beautifully, however, neither having any advantage, and shot along any appears of the turning point a ungestomed directly across of the course and caused a general stop and more general confusion. The Elizabeth worked out of the turning point a ungestomed directly across of the state of the found speed. When within a short distance of the turning point a ungestomed directly across of the turning point a ungestomed directly across and turned the stake a long distance of the furning point a ungestomed directly across a faced of the Analostans about tra lengths.

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participant may well feel proud of his endeavors to please the audience, if the immense applause which greeted each rendition can be accepted as a criterion. The cast in the comedy comprised Raiph Jefferson, James E. Bangs, I. Kimhall, Misses Tellock, Babcook, Lottis Swallow, and Katie Frye; in the operatia, John E. Gleburne, Will Keen, Misses Lottic Swallow and Katie Frye. During the intermisation between the two plays the mayor of Norfolk, Hon, J. S. Tucker, in a pleasing address, presented the Thallan cup to the winning crew. The proddent and the secretary of the Elizabeth crew were both present and received the cup, and made very acceptable speeches.

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When the Museley was running into the wharf at Fortross Murros, on the up-trip, to not off a large runnbur of persons who had joined the excursion at that place going down, she ran into the United States steamer Taliapaess, which was lying there. The collision made a terrible noise, and 5the shock caused the greater number of the excursionists much alarm. No damage whetever was done, and the fears of the party were soon basished and all were fast asleep in a short white.

The Fire Department.

The Board of Fire Commissioners held a special meeting last evening for the purpose of considering matters in relation to the expendture of the appropriation made for that branch of the public service by Congress. A large number of applications for positions in the de-partment were received and filed. The mat-ter of the removal of the lay-scales from the ter of the romoval of the lay-scales from the Georgetown engine-house, recommended by Chiec Cronin, was referred to the District Com-missioners. Chief Granin, in a communication, suggested as the most suitable locations for the proposed new engine-houses, previded for in the appropriation of \$15,000, the corner of Third street and New York avenue, a point near the Thirtoenth street circle, and some point in the western section of the city. Com-missioners Hune and Tait were constituted a committee to consider the matter.

A Beautiful Spectacle.
Washington was presented, just before sundown last night, with one of the most mag-ufficent of nature's spectacles. A black thun-der cloud floated in the west, and between it

THE NEWS BY THE CABLE.

The Berlin Congress Near an Adjournment.

Batoum Question Settled - Reading of the Text of the Treaty of Peace Com menced-German and Russlan News on the Anglo-Turkish Treaty-Ausria and Servia Doing a Little Outside Work – Why England Took Cyprus Instead of Egypt.

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BEBLIN, July 10.—The congress sat four hours to-lay. It ratified the committee's granuagements in regard to Batoum and disposed of several questions of detail. The material portion of the work of the congress being iscrewith concluded, the reading of the text of the treaty of peace was commenced. A great portion of it was read and agreed to. The Anglo-Turkish convention was not mentioned. Lord Boscousseld was absent, suffering from a core throat.

GERMAN APPROVAL OF THE ANGLO-TURKIME

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The North German Gractic declares that the occupation of Cyprus cannot fail to be greeted with approval in the Interests of civilization and progress. It believes that Germany and been previously informed of the arrangement, without, however, being asked to pass opinion thereon.

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ALL IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ADJUSTED.

The Berlin Provincial Correspondence says that all important questions connected with the treaty of San Stefane are now adjusted. The commission for the settlement of frontiers has also arrived at a satisfactory result. The treaty of peace will be signed on Saturday. The Anglo-Turkish convention will not delay the conclusion of the congress, as it does not affect the treaty of San Stefano.

ENGLANIC RIGHT TO ACT ALONE.

Parts, July 10.—The Journal des Debats considers that England, being unable to count upon any assistance for checking Russians in Asia, had the right to act alone.

RUSSIAN VIEW OF THE TREATY.

der cloud floated in the west, and between it and the horizon was a broad belt of scupi-transparent crimson, caused by the partial passage of the smallght through the light rain which was falling from the cloud. The sight was pocullarly grand one, and challemed the admiration of thousands during the brief period it was visible.

Concert at the Marine Barracks.

The following programme has been arranged for the instrumental concert by the Marine Band at the Marine Corps Barnacks this overling:

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R. Petrasanto, July 10.—The Journal de Sp. Petrasanto, July 10.—The Journal de Petrasanto de Sp. Petrasang any it is to be hoped that the outcome in collision with the peaceful work proceeding at Berlin. Lord liseasunfield simply acquired Cyprus as a not toturn from the congress empty-handed.

ANOTHER SIDE THEATY.

ENGLAND IS PAIRED OF THE ALLEST AND AND SPRINGE. It is understood in France that England escupies Cyprus instead of England escupies. Cyprus instead of England escupies Cypr